

CLOSE FINISHES AT BENNING.

LARGE CROWD PRESENT SEES EXCITING SPORT.

Brick speculation With results in favor of Jackers.—The Hayden, Man of War, Esene and Kone Finish Heads Apart.—Mr. Belmont Sets Two-Year-Olds.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Nearly all the racing at the Benning track this afternoon finished close finishes, and as a result the race was very lively, and while favorites only second choices. The opening event, a five and a half furlong, had the best field of the day entered, with Pigeon Post favorite, backed from 4 to 1 to 10 to 5. The second race, a mile, had all the way, and won by a nose from Metastern, who was a neck behind Pigeon Post.

Blue Peter was so much the best in the second race that he was prohibitive favorite, at 1 to 5, and making all his running, won easily from Bendure. In the third event Esene ruled the favorite. In a pretty finish the Hayden won by a nose, with Man of War, Esene and Kone heads apart as named. In the fourth race Red Knight was backed from 2 to 1 to 7 to 5, but the second choice, Gloria, beat Gelsa Girl by half a length in a drive. In the fifth race Merry Horses, the favorite, won, finishing a nose before Odds and Ends, who led the last stride. Lamp e, the odds-on favorite, ran unplaced in the closing event, which went to Alaska.

August Belmont has sold the two-year-old filly Rosette, who won in both her starts here, and Donna Maria to J. R. Hoden for \$5,000. Mr. Belmont will probably dispose of the two-year-old filly Peter, an several pairs have been anxious to purchase him.

FIRST RACE.
Handicap for three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, five and a half furlongs.

Second Race.
For two-year-olds, by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, four and a half furlongs.

Third Race.
For three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, six furlongs.

Fourth Race.
For maiden two-year-olds; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, one mile.

Fifth Race.
For maiden three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, seven furlongs.

Sixth Race.
For three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, one mile and a half.

Seventh Race.
For three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, one mile and a half.

Eighth Race.
For three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, one mile and a half.

Ninth Race.
For three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, one mile and a half.

Tenth Race.
For three-year-olds and upward; by subscription of \$5 each, with \$400 added, one mile and a half.

Eleventh Race.
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Twelfth Race.
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Thirteenth Race.
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Fourteenth Race.
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Fifteenth Race.
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UNDERBILT HORSE WINS.

Bright Takes the Prix Malignant at Nations Laffite.

Paris, April 11.—The race at Malmaison this afternoon for the Prix Malignant (distance a mile and a half), W. K. Underbilt, Bright was first, Veuillot, Bright was second and Wadsworth, Bright was third.

American jockeys rode five winners in money races.

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